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Reply Brief filed on 12/10/07 has been entered and considered. No further response above the response to arguments provided in the examiner answer is deemed necessary. The application has forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. Reference US Patent Number 6,609,153 (Salkewicz) was presented in section 9 on the Examiner's Answer on 10/9/2007 was omitted and said reference should be listed on section 8 of the Examiner's Answer.

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